

How to Have the Blessings of the Lord
Exodus 15:22-27
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Thesis: I want to show the promise God gave to those who would follow Him.

- Intro:
1. The Background: The children of Israel were in the Wilderness after leaving Egyptian bondage.
 2. They were murmuring against Moses & God.
 3. A Statute and an ordinance was given:

I. The conditions are stated:

A. "If you diligently heed the voice of the Lord"

1. **Deuteronomy 8:19-20**

2. **Daniel 9:10-11**

a. One simply cannot eliminate the numerous references from the scriptures concerning works (obedience) (actions of faith).

i. **Mt 7:21; Acts 10:34-35; Romans 6:16-18**

B. "And do that which is right in His sight?"

1. Today many are:

a. Calling evil good and good evil.

b. Putting darkness for light, and light darkness

c. Putting bitter for sweet, and sweet for bitter

i. **Isaiah 5:20-24; Acts 13:10**

2. Too many today are not receiving the love of the truth

i. **2 Thess 2:10-12; 2 Pt 2:15; Rev 2:14-16**

a. We must speak and obey the right ways of the Lord (**Act 4:18-20**)

C. "And will give ear to His commandments"

1. **Thing of all the N.T. commandments on hearing & giving ear**

i. **Mt 11:15; Mark 7:16; Lk 8:8; Rev 2:7,11**

ii. **"Give ear" – means to listen, pay attention.**

D. "And keep all his statutes"

1. **A statute is "an ordinance, a limit, an enactment, something prescribed."**

2. **Keeping them is obeying them.**

II. The Result

A. "I will put none of the diseases on you which I have brought on the Egyptians."

1. For the children of Israel this was a physical blessing.

2. For the children of God today this means spiritual blessings, including heaven.

3. The point is, that if God's children would listen to Him, He would bless them.

i. **Deut 11:26-28; Joshua 24:14-15, Matthew 7:13-14**

Application & Conclusion:

1. The commands of God are not burdensome (**1 Jn 5:3**).
2. His commands do not bring burdens, only blessings (**Eph 1:3**).
3. Full Invitation

Non-Christians must:

Hear – James 1:22, Romans 10:15,17

Believe – Jn 12:44, Jn 8:24, Mt 16:16

Repent – Luke 13:2-3

Confess – John 12:42, Romans 10:9

Be Baptized – 1 Pt 3:21, Acts 22:16, Col 2:11-12, Mk 16:16, Rom 6:3-4

Live faithfully – John 14:15, Rev 2:10

Christians must:

Repent & Pray: James 5:16, 1 John 1:9